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After her service in the U.S. government, she returned to her previous positions as Leavey Professor of Government at Georgetown University and as senior fellow at AEI. Dr. Kirkpatrick also writes and speaks on a range of issues concerning foreign policy and security affairs and participates in the ongoing dialogue on public issues.

Dr. Kirkpatrick's published works include: *Good Intentions* (2003); *The Withering Away of the Totalitarian State*; *Legitimacy and Force* (2 vols.); *The Reagan Phenomenon*; *Dictatorships & Double Standards*; *Dismantling the Parties: Reflections on Party Reform and Party Decomposition*; *The New Presidential Elite*; *Political Woman*; and *Leader and Vanguard in Mass Society: A Study of Peronist Argentina*. She is also the author of numerous monographs and articles.

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IN HONOR OF MARY PITTMAN

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2006

Mr. HALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a well-known and respected Grayson County citizen, businesswoman and politician, Mary Pittman, who passed away on September 30 at her Van Alstyne home.

Mary was active in the Grayson County Republican Party. A participant at all levels, she hosted numerous Republican events at her home. She was a friend and advisor to me and many others who sought her assistance in their political campaigns and in their performance of official duties.

Mary was born in Commerce, Texas, and moved to Van Alstyne in 1967 where she established Greenbriar Charolais Farms and Mary Pittman's Tea House. She was an active and dedicated member of her community, including membership in the Hurricane Creek Rotary Club, the Grayson County Republican Party and Daughters of the American Revolution. Mary's many contributions to these and other endeavors will be long remembered and appreciated.

Survivors include her daughters, DeeAnn Cummings, Robin Reynolds Burns and husband Bill, and Janet Cooley and husband James, ten grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. As a lasting memorial to this wonderful mother and grandmother, the family established a Mary Pittman Scholarship Fund benefiting students at Grayson County College.

As the 109th Congress comes to a close, let us remember those Americans who contribute so much of their time and talent to their communities and to our democracy—Americans such as Mary Pittman whose efforts help keep America strong.

TRIBUTE ON THE RETIREMENT OF GEORGE GOULD

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2006

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, through rain, sleet, and snow George Gould has been a Voice of reason in a complex and significant area of American life—the delivery of our mail.

George's professionalism, integrity, and expertise have been real assets to both the National Association of Letter Carriers and the United States Postal Service. It is no coincidence that in the 27 years George has served NALC, relations between the 300,000 employees represented by NALC and the USPS have been harmonious. George's contributions to making the USPS the most efficient and reliable public postal service in the world have been significant.

In fact, George is the longest-serving lobbyist in NALC's history, and served two NALC presidents as Assistant for Legislative and Political Affairs. Before joining the union in 1979, he worked for 15 years on Capitol Hill, the last three as the staff director of the House Subcommittee on Postal Operations and Services.

Over the years, George served as chairman of the FAIR Coalition (the Fund for Assuring an Independent Retirement), a postal-federal employee grouping that fought to protect and enhance federal employee pensions and other benefits.

George's work for NALC helped bring about greater political freedom for federal workers through the reform of the Hatch Act in 1993 and has advanced the cause of postal reform legislation. Indeed, it is a fitting tribute to George that Congress on this very day stands ready to complete its work on this critical legislation.

"America's letter carriers have benefitted tremendously from George's many years of service as NALC's chief lobbyist on Capitol Hill," said NALC President William H. Young.

I wish George, my friend for almost three decades, and his wife Diane, nothing but happiness and success as they enter the next chapter of their lives.

HONORING JEAN JUSKE

HON. RAHM EMANUEL

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2006

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the contributions that my constituent, Ms. Jean Juske, has made to her community. For more than 25 years, she has served as an officer with the Brickyard Seniors Club, and for the past few years she has served as that organization's President.

The Brickyard is an important organization for seniors in northwest Chicago that provides opportunities for socializing, community activism, and education. As President for the past several years, Jean Juske made sure that Brickyard members had lively meetings on the first and third Monday of the month that featured not only bingo games and other activities, but also included guest speakers and visits from elected officials.

Ms. Juske also arranged holiday dinners, special events, and day trips to regional points of interest. During her tenure at the Brickyard, Ms. Juske developed an expertise in a variety of programs and benefits designed for senior citizens, and served as a first point of contact for members who needed assistance.

Ms. Juske has provided a valuable service as a President of the Brickyard Seniors Club, and I would like to express my deep appreciation to her.

IN HONOR OF MARTIN GOLD

HON. JOSEPH CROWLEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 8, 2006

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and reflect on the passing of Martin Gold of the Bronx, New York. He was 90 years old.

On October 3, 2006, Martin left us for a better place, leaving behind his wife Helen, a son Robert Mariconi, many friends and admirers, and a far better Bronx thanks to his tireless advocacy.

Martin Gold was a passionate advocate of senior citizens, veterans, and the overall beautification of the Bronx.

He was the longtime Legislative Chairman for the Aging in America Community Services, Senior Center in the Bronx.

He fought against the privatization of Social Security, the prescription drug plan that created a donut-hole and left millions of seniors without coverage, cuts to Medicare and other senior services programs.

Martin was also a leader in fighting for additional benefits and better and more respectful treatment for veterans, including greater access to health care and ensuring waiting lists at VA hospitals disappeared.

He himself served our Nation proudly in the United States Navy for 8 years aboard the *Valley Forge*.

He would often write to me, organize petition drives and speak to myself and my staff about important bills and the need to look out for seniors and veterans in Congress.

Additionally, he was a true champion for a greater Bronx, himself organizing anti-graffiti campaigns to beautify the borough—a campaign he launched in 1994, when he was 78 years old.

In the neighborhoods around Pelham Parkway North, he would monitor 50 mailboxes to keep them clean. The Post Office gives him the specific shades of blue and green paints for the boxes, and a local neighborhood association donates the brushes and other supplies.

It was these efforts that led our former Bronx Borough President to award him the "Quality of Life Award".

He was one of the great Bronx residents who is changing the minds of America about what type of place the Bronx is. The Bronx that Howard Cosell referenced is not the Bronx that Martin Gold left us.

We have the second largest public park in the City, Pelham Park, and serve as home to the Bronx Zoo and the Bronx Botanical Garden.

The Bronx is also home to over 1.4 million people and so many lovely communities from City Island to Throggs Neck to Co-op City.